

The Champion's Christmas Packet

Can you think of a gift more certain to be acceptable than a year's subscription to the Youth's Companion? Is there any one, young or old, who, having once had the paper in his hands and looked through it, did not wish to possess it for his very own? It is a gift which, far from losing its freshness as Christmas recedes into the past, grows more delightful, more necessary to one's enjoyment week by week.

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Full illustrated announcement of the new volume for 1903 will be sent with sample copies of the paper to any address free.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION,
144, Berkeley street, Boston, Mass.

Public Sale.

On Monday, Dec. 15, 1902. I will sell at my farm, 1 mile North of Herndon, Ky., on Hopkinsville road, the following described property, viz:

Lady Easter, a fine combined mare, 16 hands high, standard and registered by Sunol, (brother to Sunol 2084) by Electioneer, dam Nettie C by Willie Wilkes (brother to William H 2184), by Young Wilkes 2284, by George Wilkes 222. This mare was never trained, but can trot in 3 minutes on the road, is a splendid broodmare and an extra fine brood mare.

Minnie Fox, a fast four-year-old pacer, standard and registered, 15½ hands, blood bay, with fine style, by Black Alcyone, 2174, dam Lady Easter. This filly combines, in a rare degree, the blood of the Electioneer and George Wilkes families. She shows great speed and will make a race mare.

Lela Elkin, foaled 1897, standard and registered, a rich blood bay mare, full 16 hands, by Black Alcyone, dam Lady Easter. This mare has never been handled on the track but can trot in 3 minutes and is perfectly safe for lady to drive. Bred this season to Edgewood, by Nutwood.

Lucile, a beautiful two-year-old filly, by Black Alcyone, dam Lady Morrow.

Brown Bell, a very hands m yearling colt, standard, by Sleight Bell by Bow Bells, dam Lady Easter.

Also several other saddle and harness horses, 3 good work mules, 7 head high grade Shorthorn cows and calves, lot fat hogs, brood sows and pigs, nice flock sheep and lambs, a full line of farming implements, consisting of 2 wagons, binder, 2 mowers, wheat drill, disc and smoothing harrows, disc plow, disc cultivator, weeder, hay rake, plows, shovels, &c. Good buggy and harness, wagon and plow harness, some corn, baled fodder, household and kitchen furniture, Indian Game chickens and Narragansett turkeys. Terms made known on day of sale. Sale commences promptly at 10 a. m.

W. G. FOX, HERNDON, KY.

Dissolution of Acme Mills Company—Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Directors of the Acme Mills Company, held at its office in Hopkinsville, Ky., on the 25th of November, 1902, the written consent and direction of owners of a large majority of the capital stock of Acme Mills Company, that its Articles of Incorporation be dissolved and its business closed, was duly and formally presented to the said Board of Directors. Whereupon it was resolved and ordered by said Board that the business of said company be closed and its affairs wound up and settled. Notice of the fact that it is closing up its business was ordered to be published and is now hereby given as required by law.

The object and purpose of this dissolution are to enable the stockholders and others to organize the Acme Mills and Elevator Company, which will engage in the same business as that heretofore conducted by the Acme Mills Company, on a greatly enlarged basis and with a greatly increased capital and capacity for increased profits; and in pursuance of said purpose The Acme Mills and Elevator Company has been organized with an authorized capital of \$200,000, one half of which has already been subscribed.

Attest, John B. Galbreath, Secretary Acme Mills Company.

Hens and Pullets Wanted.

Highest market price paid for hens and pullets at Ferd Schmitt's Restaurant.

Hon. Henry Watterson On the Political Machine.

Preferment is not for me. Brought to the point where I must look the situation full in the eye, I am appalled by the conditions which the successful candidate for office must meet and overcome; the rogues and cheats he must court, or cozen; the servility he must affect, or practice; the obligations incur; the personal solicitation, ignoble and humiliating; the use of money more or less corrupt and corrupting; for, though he have an overwhelming majority of the people at his back, there stands the machine, first to be captured and then to be deployed, with all that this implies.

Although I have never had a machine I am not a stranger either to the character, or the efficacy of machine methods. Nor do I lack some points of vantage in case I wanted to construct a machine for my own purpose. But, no unclean dollar has ever passed my hand, either coming or going, and I am too old to turn rascal. Sometimes, I have declared that I should like the people to write "Governor of Kentucky" on my tombstone. But I shall not rest in my grave if there were the suspicion of a stain upon a letter of that honorable epitaph.—Henry Watterson, in a letter August 13, 1902, declining to become a candidate for governor.

Political life everywhere is sufficiently lowering. Everywhere the use of money, patronage and chicanery constitutes both a menace and an affront to Democratic government. The candidate for office not more in Kentucky than elsewhere, not more in the Democratic party than in the Republican party, must conform to requirements which may well stagger self-respecting manhood and give pause to the most eager ambition. Hence the mediocrity of contemporary politics. Hence the prevailing inferiority of our public men. We are passing through an era of the commonplace irradiated chiefly by venality and noise. One set of claimants, as a rule, are not much better than another set. One ring is turned down to make room for another ring. Year and year out, in all the states, and in both parties, it is the same old nauseating drive; not a gleam of originality, or courage; not a ray of disinterestedness; but one unending stream of blatant self-assertion and transparent cant. The consequence is that parties are all at sea, the country drifts with the current, happily thus far prosperous, each political organism shifting for itself whilst waiting for its pilot.—Henry Watterson, in a Courier-Journal editorial, November 29, 1902.

Two John Smiths.

There are two John Smiths in the little town of Prella, Kan.—one very stout and the other very thin—and they were good friends until one day last week, when the thin John gave the thick John a severe thrashing. The neighbors were much astonished at the row, but laughed when they learned the reason. A green goods letter came to town addressed to John Smith. It was delivered by chance to stout John, who read it, and, seeing a chance for a joke on his namesake, marked it opened by "mistake" and put it in thin John's mail box. The latter resented the implication and lost no time in hunting up the joker. Then the trouble began.

Prescribed By Her Physician.

Neosha Falls, Kans., Nov. 13, 1900. Pepsin Syrup Co., Monticello, Ill. Dear Sirs:—For almost fifteen years I suffered from indigestion and last winter thought I would die, when my physician, Dr. A. J. Lieurance, of this place, advised my trying Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which I did, and two bottles cured me. It not only relieved me, but it cured me so that I have not been troubled since.

If any one should offer me \$500 for the good Syrup Pepsin has done me, I would not think of taking it. No one can take your medicine without being convinced of its more than wonderful cures. I recommend it to all my friends as a laxative and stomach remedy.

Yours with gratitude,
MRS. J. MORGAN.

For sale by all druggists.

Union County Product.

What we believe to be the largest beet ever grown in Union county was brought to this office Monday morning by Mr. Jackson Hopewell, which was raised in his garden. It measures thirty inches around and tips the beam at twelve and one-half pounds. If anybody can beat this "fotch" it in.—Sturgis Herald.

A Good Cough Medicine.

[From the Gazette, Toowoomba, Australia.]

I find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is an excellent medicine. I have been suffering from a severe cough for the last two months, and it has effected a cure. I have great pleasure in recommending it.—W. C. WOCKNER. This is the opinion of one of our oldest and most respected residents, and has been voluntarily given in good faith that others may try the remedy and be benefited, as was Mr. Wockner. This remedy is sold by C. K. Wyly.

Prize Winners.

Gibson Bros. have on display two of the largest turnips seen here in a long time. They were raised by Dr. Thomas, of Old Town, Tenn., and the largest one weighs eight and one-half pounds.—Middlesboro Record.

Favorite Family Remedy.

Frequently accidents occur in the household, which cause burns, cuts, sprains and bruises; for use in such cases, Ballard's Snow Liniment has for many years been the constant favorite family remedy. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at R. C. Hardwick.

Football Fatalities.

A resume of the football season in 1902, carefully compiled from all sections of the country, shows that the game has claimed more victims this season than ever before. Fifteen have died as a result of accidents on the gridiron. More than 100 injuries have been recorded, ranging all the way from concussion of the brain and insanity down the list through injured spines, crushed skulls, broken legs and arms, to such smaller injuries as broken eardrums and the tearing loose of ribs.

If you would have an appetite like a bear and a relish for your meals take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They correct disorders of the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. Price 25 cents. Sample free at C. K. Wyly's drug store.

Monster Pumpkin.

We are indebted to Mrs. Eliza Cate, of Sulphur Springs, for a very fine pumpkin. The pumpkin is a new variety, the seed of which Mrs. Cate procured from La Crosse, Wis. It is thirty-four inches in length, thirty-nine inches in circumference at its greatest diameter and weighs forty-four pounds.—Hartford Republican.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Fine Specimen.

A fine specimen of corn is exhibited at the hardware store of Ford & Co. It was raised by James Rowland, of this county, and is a complete stalk with six ears on the stalk, and he raised two stalks to the hill. It is certainly a curiosity.—Bourbon News.

Health for 10 Cents.

A lively liver, pure blood, clean skin, bright eyes, perfect health—Cascarets Candy Cathartic will obtain and secure them for you. Genuine tablets stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. All druggists, 10c.

Mammoth Turnip.

Mr. W. P. Grider presented this office with a mammoth turnip. It measured twenty-six inches in circumference and weighed seven pounds. The Spectator man has turnips for the winter.—Columbia Spectator.

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In the Shape of a Tear Drop.

Mr. W. G. VanDeren, of Pointexter, left at this office yesterday a turnip the shape of a tear-drop that weighs five pounds.—Cynthiana Democrat.

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TOWER IS PROMOTED

Chosen to Succeed White as Ambassador to Germany.

Is Taken from St. Petersburg, Where He Has Been Stationed for Several Years—Appointment Pleases Germans.

President Roosevelt has chosen Charlemagne Tower, ambassador to Russia, to succeed Mr. White as ambassador to Germany. Notifications of this decision and that Mr. White's letters of recall had been issued by the state department have reached the foreign office at Berlin.

Mr. Tower brings to his new office great wealth, a valuable library and a mind well stocked with the fruits of years spent in historical research. He is the son of one of the leading business men of Pennsylvania, and inherited a fortune of about \$10,000,000, which he has increased by wise transactions. The new ambassador was born in Philadelphia April 17, 1848, and is the eighth in descent from John Tower, who came to this country from England in 1637. Mr. Tower had the advantages of the public schools in his preliminary education, and then went to a military academy at New Haven, Conn. Thence he went to Phillips academy at Exeter, N. H., and graduated from Harvard in 1872.

For several years after leaving Harvard Mr. Tower traveled extensively and gratified his desire to be a student of history, languages and literature. At one time he was the intimate of the distinguished German writer, Herr Heribert Rau. While Gen. Daniel Sickles was United States minister to the court of Spain Mr. Tower became an attaché of the legation at Madrid for the purpose of making a study of diplomacy. In 1876 the young Philadelphian traversed the Holy Land on horseback and added greatly to his store of knowledge of Biblical times. Returning to Philadelphia he read law in the office of the late William



CHARLEMAGNE TOWER.
(New American Ambassador to the Seat of the German Empire.)

Henry Rawle and was admitted to the bar in 1878.

It was largely owing to Mr. Tower's energy that the great iron deposits of northern Minnesota were developed. He took the presidency of the Duluth & Iron Range Railway company in 1882, and for five years was one of Minnesota's leading citizens. Returning to Philadelphia in 1887, he became vice president of the Finance company, was soon made president, and remained in that office until 1891, when he was elected to leave active business for his pursuits in literature. His most notable production was the book, "The Marquis de Lafayette and the American Revolution." Mr. Tower is a regent of the University of Pennsylvania, and was president of its department of archaeology and paleontology, and he is a member of a number of scientific societies. He married Miss Helen Smith at Oakland, Cal., in 1888, and has three sons. Lafayette college recently conferred on Mr. Tower the degree of LL. D.

Although a highly-cultured man the ambassador has "roughed it" in the mines of this country and is a practical engineer and chemist. He is pre-eminently a student and never has sought the glare of the society calendar. All efforts to get him interested in office-holding in Pennsylvania because of his sterling worth, his prominence in the business world and his high ideals were fruitless until he had taken up the lance in favor of municipal reforms in Philadelphia. Subsequently he expressed a desire to enter the diplomatic service and was nominated for the post of envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Austria-Hungary. He is now rated as one of Philadelphia's richest men.

Fox Farming in Alaska.

Within the last 15 years the new industry of "fox-farming" has been developed in Alaska. It originated in the desire to preserve the valuable blue fox from extermination. The experiment was begun by placing 20 foxes on an unoccupied island. In the course of a few years some 30 islands were thus turned into fox ranches. It was found that the animals soon became sufficiently domesticated to cease fearing their keepers, and to assemble at feeding places. Eight hundred or a thousand foxes are included in a ranch. At the proper age a certain number are killed for their pelts. The business appears to pay very well, and it is suggested that other fur-bearing animals might be domesticated and propagated in a similar manner.

City of Wonderful Growth.

In Beaumont, Tex., 1,500 residences were built in the last 12 months. It has a population of 30,000.

A Good Friend to Women.

"A friend in need is a friend in deed." The final test of friendship is deeds not words; not promises but performance. When Mrs. Ruff refers to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription as a good friend to women she speaks out of a wide experience of the merits of that medicine.

When her "life was hanging in the balance" it brought her back to health. As Director of the German Orphans' Home she has opportunity time and again to test its power in the cure of womanly diseases. As a result she says: "Our great remedy for female trouble is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. We have found nothing that would so quickly cure the disease, relieve inflammation, and stop pain."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration, and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong, sick women well. "Five years ago when my life was hanging in the balance, Dr. Pierce's

Favorite Prescription was brought to my home," writes Mrs. Caroline Ruff, Director of German Orphans' Home, residing at 339 Rowena Street, Detroit, Mich. "I took it, and, like a brave friend, it fought the battle against disease and won me back to health. Ever since then I have been its firm friend. We frequently have mothers come to our 'Home' who are suffering with uterine troubles, inflammation, tumors and ulcerations. Our great remedy for all female trouble is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and we have found nothing so far which would so quickly cure disease, relieve inflammation, and stop pain. It is a good friend to women."

Sick women are invited to consult Doctor Pierce by letter, free. All letters are held as strictly private and the written confidences of women are guarded by the same strict professional privacy observed by Dr. Pierce and his staff in personal consultations with weak and sick women at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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